

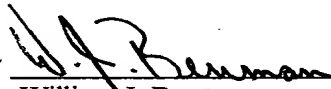
REMARKS

Claims 1 – 20 are pending. In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner relied principally on Jevans ('396) in the rejections of the Claims. Enclosed herewith is an Affidavit Under 37 C.F.R. 1.131 to establish a date of invention that precedes the effective date of this reference.

Inasmuch as all of the rejections rely on Jevans, the rejections are deemed to be overcome by the enclosed Affidavit. Accordingly, the Application is believed to be in proper form for allowance.

Reconsideration, allowance and passage to issue are therefore respectfully requested.

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